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7. Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
8. Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76
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15. Applicant claims small entity status.
See 37 CFR 1.27
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